## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

NR Eligible: yes \_\_\_\_\_

Property Name: Ezra	Michael House	Inventory Num	ber: <u>F-1-138</u>	
Address: 2455 Ballenge	r Creek Pike	City: Adamstown	Zip	Code: 21710
County: Frederick	US	GS Topographic Map:	Point of Rocks	
Owner: Peter H. and Vi	cki L. Michael PO Box 191	325, Sacramento, CA 95	5819	
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Marion Michael (b. 1852-d. 1937) stated that Ezra Michael improved his 175-acre inheritance that included the home farm by constructing a comfortable two-story frame dwelling; this house probably was the house at F-1-144. In 1866, Ezra Michael was assessed for two houses and two barns (FC Tax Assessment 1866). The 1873 Lake Atlas of Frederick County depicted two houses on the property.

In his will written in 1881, Ezra Michael devised "the house lately erected on the farm" to his wife Margaret until her death (FC Wills JPP2:207); this is the house identified as F-1-138. The house probably was built when Ezra retired from active farming. The will is worded to allow the wife access to the stable, milk house, meat house, and ice house located on the home farm bequeathed to Marion S. Michael (FC Wills JPP2:207). This wording suggests that the house at F-1-138 was not the center of the home farmstead. Ezra Michael died in 1886 and his wife Margaret died in 1897. After inheriting the property, Marion Michael remodeled the dwelling and constructed a bank barn and convenient outbuildings and was reported as residing there (Williams 1910:931). It is likely that the home farm and improvements were associated with F-1-144 at the center of the property. In 1927, Marion Michael sold the house at F-1-138 and 50 acres of property to his son Elmer C. Michael (Davis 1993). Since Marion Michael died in 1937, it seems likely that his primary residence remained at F-1-144.

An architectural survey conducted in 1993 (Davis 1993) reported the existence of a main house, a frame summer kitchen, a deteriorated frame chicken house, a wagon shed/corncrib, and a modern barn constructed within the footprint of an earlier barn. The current owners report the existence a masonry spring house dating from the eighteenth-century. The spring house was not documented in the 1993 MIHP form. A visual inspection conducted during June 2001 corroborated the existence of the house and the modern barn. The spring house is not visible from the public right-of-way and was not documented under this investigation.

The main house is a two-story, wood-frame residence that features a central cross gable with Gothic Revival arched windows and tracery muntins. The exterior indicates many alterations including the addition of siding, window replacements, enclosure of the porch on the rear ell. The original surveyer dated the house ca. 1850 with ca. 1880 additions. The appearance of the dwelling supports a later construction date of ca. 1880 and corroborates the evidence contained in Ezra Michael's will and the date stone of 1879 found in the walkway to the house.

The main house at F-1-138 was constructed by Ezra Michael ca. 1880 when he retired from active farming. The house may be located near the site of the late eighteenth-century farmstead constructed by Andrew Michael. The many alterations that have occurred to the house have compromised integrity of design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. The house no longer possesses sufficient integrity to convey qualities of significance as an example of a late nineteenth-century I house under Criterion C.

#### Bibliography

Coldham, Peter Wilson.

1995 Settlers of Maryland 1766-1783. Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD.

Davis, Janet.

1993 Ezra Michael House F-1-138 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form. Located at Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, MD.

Frederick County Records.

Land records, wills, equity court cases, and tax assessments.

Goodwin, R. Christopher, & Associates, Inc.

June 2001 Architectural and Historical Investigations for the Proposed Duke Energy North America Facility on the Offutt Property, Frederick County, Maryland. Prepared by RCG&A, Inc., for Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc., Tampa, Florida.

Nov. 2001 Supplemental Architectural and Historical Investigations for the Proposed Duke Energy Facility on the Vernon-Hines and Urciolo Properties, Frederick, Maryland. Prepared by RCG&A, Inc., for Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc., Tampa, Florida.

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Continuation Sheet No. 2

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E. Michael Farm F-1-144 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form. Located at Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, MD.

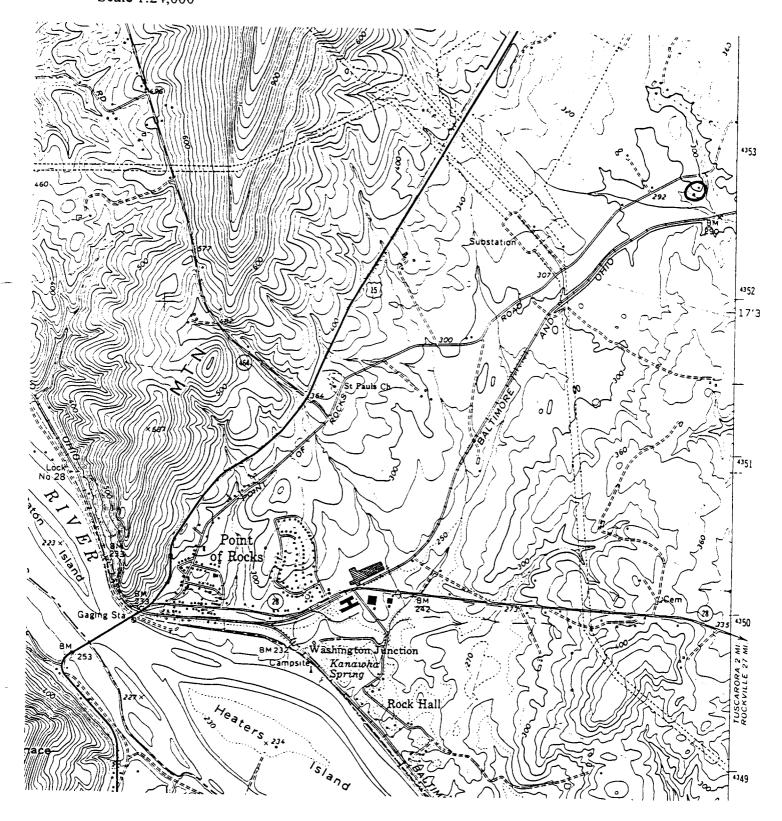
Katherine Grandine and Brian Cleven,

Prepared by:

R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, Inc.

Date Prepared: March 2002

F-1-138
Ezra Michael Farmstead
Point of Rocks Vicinity
Frederick County, Maryland
Point of Rocks USGS quadrangle map
Scale 1:24,000





F-1-138 Ezra Michael Farmstead Frederick Co. Md B. Cleven 11/2001 Md SHPD Dwelling, view E

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The Ezra Michael Farmstead consists of a two-story frame dwelling built about 1850 with a central gable on the main elevation and a two-story rear wing, a frame summer kitchen, a deteriorated frame chicken house, and a wagon shed/corn crib. The outbuildings range in date from about 1850 to about 1880. A bank barn burned in the early 20th century, leaving a stone foundation on which a non-contributing metal barn was erected in the mid 20th century. The farmstead is primarily significant for the vernacular architecture of the dwelling, which was altered in the 1880's and again in the 1980's, but retains the general exterior form of its mid-19th century origins. The main elevation has a central cross gable with a Gothic Revival arched window with tracery The 1880's alterations may have included the extension of the rear muntins. wing and in the 1980's, vinyl siding and replacement windows were installed and the probable enclosure of a two-story porch on the rear wing took place. The house was built by Ezra Michael (1813-1886), who had inherited 175 acres of a larger property which had been purchased by his grandfather in 1773. In about the 1880's, Ezra's son Marion remodeled the dwelling, probably extended the rear wing, and built the bank barn, which burned in the early 20th century. The Michael family was prominent in the Adamstown Region and owned several farms in the vicinity. The home place remained in their possession until 1974.

F-1-138 Ezra Michael Farmstead Doubs vicinity Frederick County

#### HISTORIC CONTEXT:

#### MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery

Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:

Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes
Architecture

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function & Use:

Domestic/single dwelling/residence Domestic/secondary structure/kitchen Agriculture/subsistence/storage/granary

Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/chicken coop

Known Design Source: None

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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1. Nam	(indicate pre	ferred name)		
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4. Own	er of Proper	ty (give names ar	d mailing addresse	s of <u>all</u> owners)
name	Robert J. and Chris	stina S. Carton		
street & number	2455 Ballenger Cree	ek Pike	telephone n	o.:
city, town	Adamstown	state	and zip code Md.	21710
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courthouse, regis	stry of deeds, etc. Fre	ederick County Cour	thouse	liber <sup>1042</sup>
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### 7. Description

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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

#### CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 4

The Ezra Michael Farmstead is composed of a circa 1850 two-story frame dwelling with a central gable on the main elevation and a two-story rear wing which may contain some log structure, a one-story frame summer kitchen, a deteriorated frame chicken house, and a frame wagon shed/corn crib, the remaining structures of a mid-19th century farmstead which once included several more buildings, including a bank barn which burned and has been replaced by a metal building on the stone The farmstead is located on the south side of Ballenger Creek Pike (Md. foundation. 180) about 1/2 mile south of Doubs, Frederick County, Maryland. The principal elevation of the dwelling faces southwest and is reached by a short driveway thickly Considerable alterations, especially on the rear wing lined with evergreens. exterior, have taken place since 1978. A stone in the fieldstone walkway to the main door bears a date of 1879, but historical maps show that the farmstead existed at least as early as 1858 and architectural details and other historical sources suggest a date of about 1850 with late 19th century alterations.

The house has a three-bay southwest elevation with a center entrance and a shed-roofed entry porch. The exterior is covered with vinyl siding, which probably The gable roof is covered with standing seam metal, with covers german siding. The central gable peak has a single Gothic arched window interior end chimneys. with tracery muntins. The windows are 6/1 modern replacements, with replacement The central door is also a replacement, having a glass panel door and a The porch has square chamfered posts and a balustrade plain rectangular transom. with vase-shaped flat splats. The south elevation of the house has only two small attic windows with 1/1 replacement sash. The rear wing, which undoubtedly once had the two-story open porch typical of mid-19th century vernacular houses in Frederick County, has been enclosed and multiple windows installed on both the first and The first story windows are taller and narrower than the original second stories. window openings in the main section, but also have 6/1 sash. The south elevation door is also a glazed panel door with an outer multiple-pane door below a plain A second door into the wing is located on the northeast gable end under a covered rear space between the summer kitchen and the house. The wing has a central chimney, suggesting that it may have been extended during the late 19th century. If log structure exists in the house, it is most likely to be in the wing section The interior of the house was inaccessible for this nearest the main section. survey.

Summer kitchen: The frame summer kitchen is currently used as a storage building. It is located just northeast of the rear wing and has vertical board siding and a standing seam metal roof. An exterior brick chimney is located on the northwest elevation and a single door opening is in the southeast gable end. On the sides are two bays with 6/6 windows. The kitchen probably dates from about 1879-1880. Its proximity to the rear wing suggests that it was built during a period when the rear wing extended only to the point marked by the now-enclosed chimney in the wing, which was probably originally an interior end chimney.

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8. Significance

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Ezra Michael Farmstead is a fair example of a mid-19th century agricultural complex, with most of its significance concentrated in the vernacular architecture of the main dwelling. The existing building was erected about 1850 by Ezra Michael (1813-1886), according to Williams & McKinsey's History of Frederick County (1910). The farm was part of a 350-acre property purchased in 1773 by Andrew Michael, the father of Ezra. Ezra Michael inherited 175 acres of the farmstead and "improved in every way, putting up a comfortable two-story frame dwelling." The present main elevation with its central gable and Gothic Revival style window appear to date from this period. It reflects the simple interpretation of the prevailing architectural tyle of the day that was commonly found in rural areas. In the 1880's, Ezra's son rion S. Michael (born 1852) remodeled the dwelling, possibly extending the rear wing, and built the bank barn, which burned in the early 20th century, and other The Michael family retained the property until 1974. According to outbuildings. both the 1910 history and Grove's <u>History of Carrollton Manor</u> (1928), the Michael family was one of the largest landowning families in the Adamstown Region and consequently were considered among the most important citizens and most successful The present simplicity of the home farmstead and the few remaining outbuildings give few hints of the family's prosperity.

#### **Major Bibliographical References** Survey No. F-1-138 Grove, William J. History of Carrollton Manor. Frederick: Marken & Bielfeld, Inc., 1928, 142. Land Records of Frederick County Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873. (Continued on separate sheet) **Geographical Data** 3 acres Acreage of nominated property Point of Rocks, Md.-Va. 1:24000 Quadrangle name \_ Quadrangle scale UTM References do NOT complete UTM references Northing Zone **Easting** Northing Zone Easting Verbal boundary description and justification Approximately 3 acres centered on the dwelling on Tax Map 103, Parcel 142. List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries code code state county state code county code Form Prepared By name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept.date May 1993 696-2958 telephone street & number 12 E. Church Street Md. 21701 Frederick state city or town The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement. The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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#### 7.1 Description (Continued)

Chicken house: The deteriorated chicken house is located south of the house near a non-contributing chicken house. Its tongue-and-groove exterior suggests that it was built during the late 19th or early 20th century. It has a shed composition covered roof.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The frame wagon shed with flanking corn cribs is located south of the house near the site of the original barn, now occupied by the metal non-contributing structure on the barn's stone foundation. The shed has vertical board siding and a corrugated metal roof. It was probably built about 1880.

Ezra Michael Farmstead Frederick County

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9.1 Bibliography (Continued)

Williams, T.J.C., and Folger McKinsey. <u>History of Frederick County</u>, V.2, 1910. Reprinted Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1979, 930-931.

### Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Nan	le (indicate pr	referred name)		
historic	E. Michael House			
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2. Loca	ation			
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city, town	Doubs	_X_ vicinity of	congressional district	
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3. Clas	sification			
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7. Description
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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The E. Michael House is located on the east side of Point of Rocks Road, between the Doubs Power Station and Basford Road near Doubs. The house is located on a slight rise near a stream and is surrounded by trees which also line the driveway to the house. The house faces south, and is composed of a main (south) block with an ell on the north. Sheathed with white clapboards, the house is probably of frame construction.

The main block is  $2^{1}\!_{2}$  stories high and gable roofed with a center cross gable on the south facade and interior end chimneys. The principal facade is three bays wide with a central doorway and has a hip roofed porch over the doorway. The porch has fine original woodwork, including porch posts, railings, and scroll saw brackets. Windows are 2/2 sash, except for the Gothic pointed arched window in the cross gable. Small outbuildings are located to the east of the house. The house appears to be well maintained and virtually unaltered on the exterior.

8. 5	Significance		Survey No. F-1-	-138
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The E. Michael House is significant architecturally as a well preserved and excellent example of vernacular Gothic Revival style architecture, interpreted in an I-house form typical of mid-19th century Maryland. The house is unusually stylish for the area, and appears largely unaltered on the exterior. The house is enhanced by its setting on a slight hilltop surrounded by trees. The house also holds historical associations with the Michael family, listed by Scharf as among the early settlers in the Point of Rocks area. Several other Michael houses are in the vicinity. The house is shown on the 1862 Bond atlas of Frederick County as that of E. Michael.

### 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-1-138

Bond, Isaac, Map of Frederick County, Maryland, 1862. Lake, D.J., Atlas of Frederick County, Maryland, 1873. Scharf, J.Thomas, History of Western Maryland, Baltimore, 1968.

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organization	Maryland H	istorical Trus	st	date	June	1982
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city or town	Annapolis			state	Mary	land 21401

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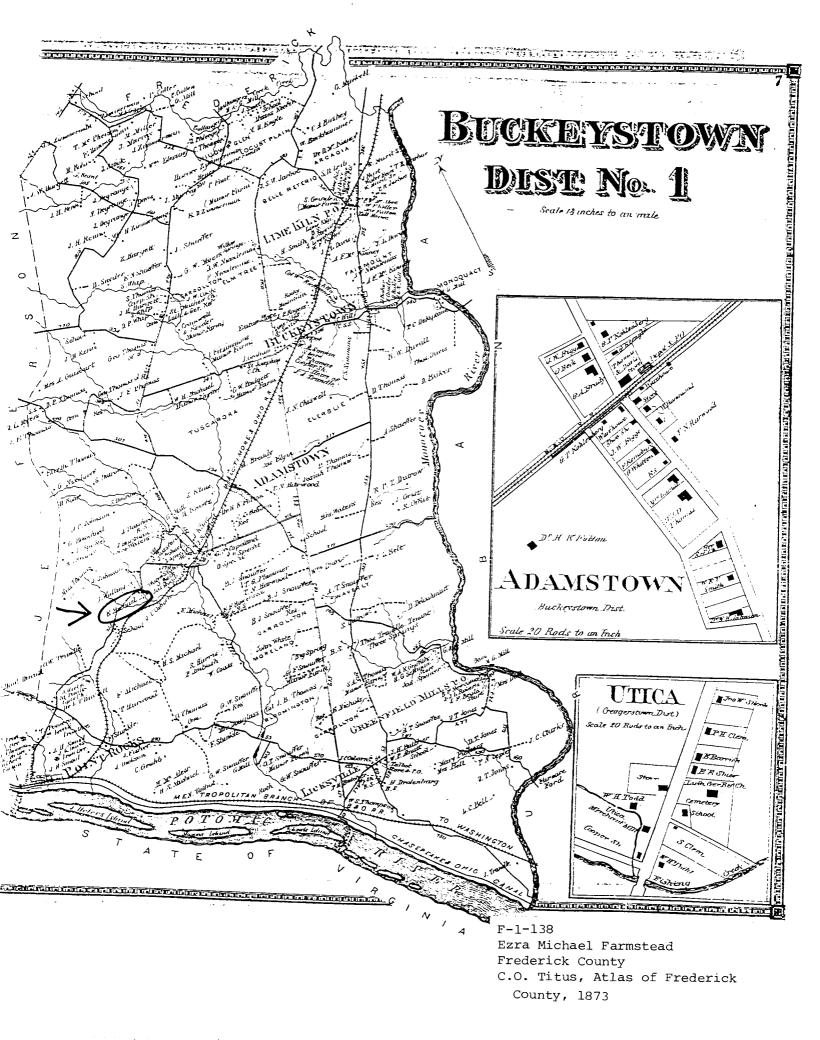
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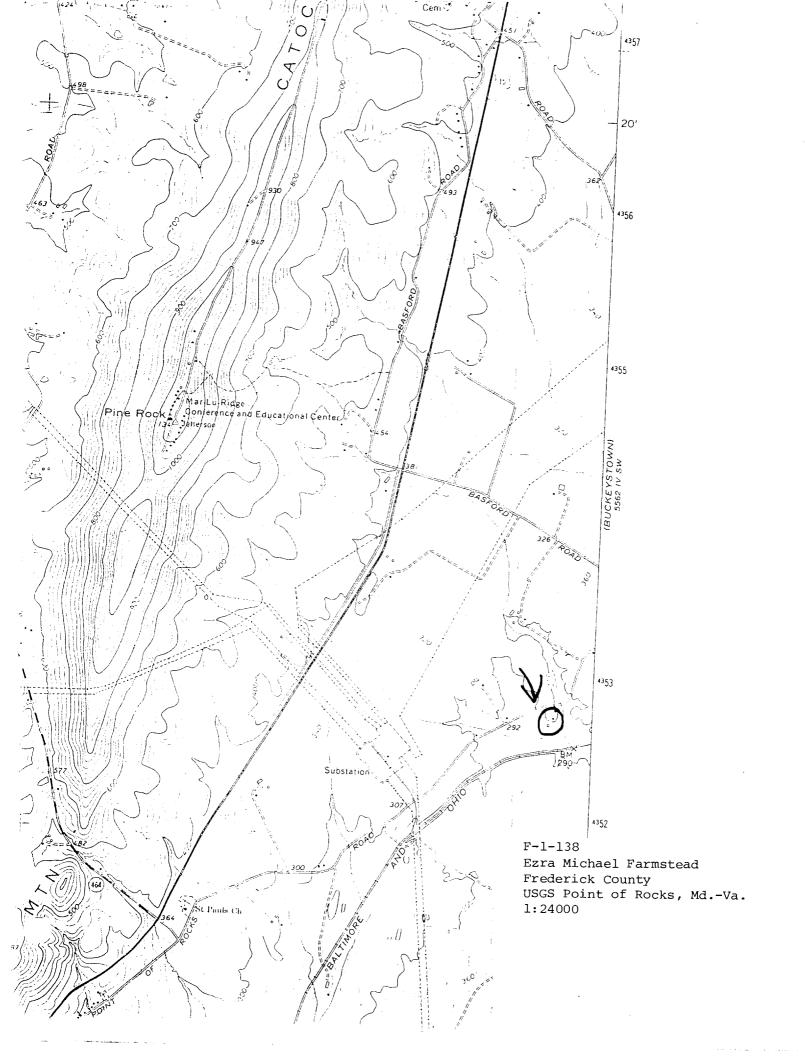
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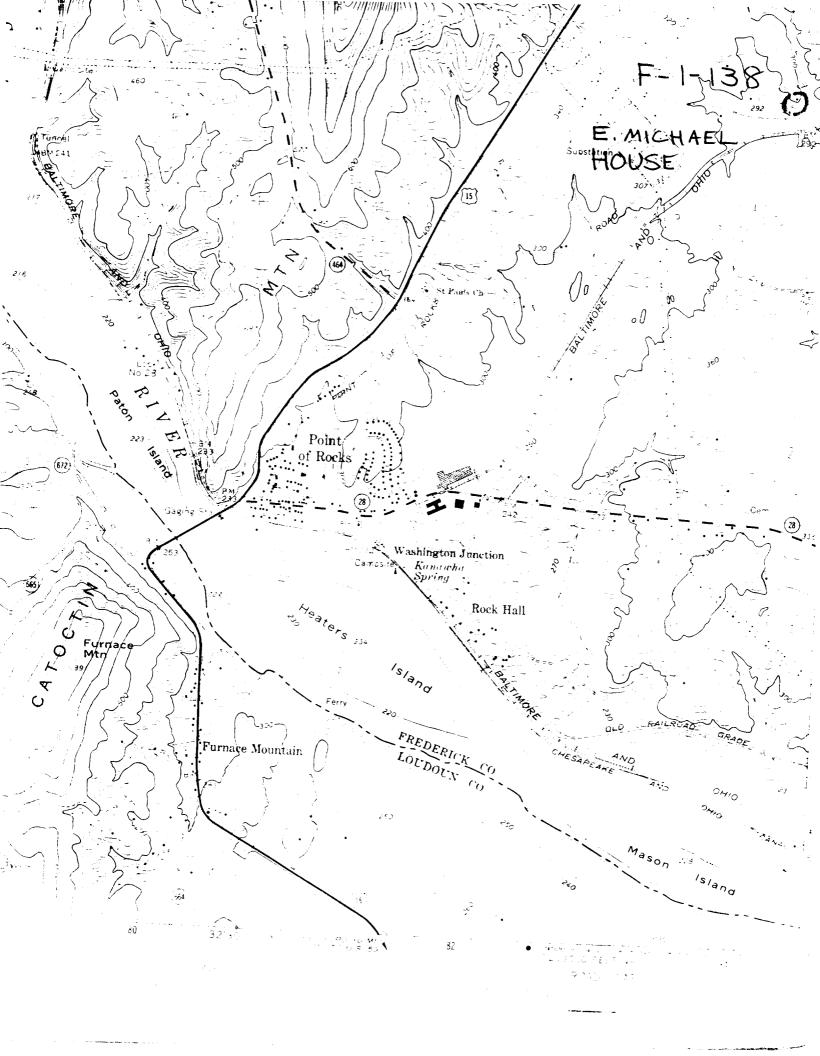
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Ezra Michaell Mone Frederick County Photo: Janet Davis April 1993 Neg. loc. Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md West elevation





F-1-138 Ezra Michael House Frederick County Photo: Janet Davis April 1993 Neg. loc. i Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md. Outboildings, general view from north



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E. Michall House
West elevation
Peggy Bruns Weissman
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